

Detectors for the European Spallation Source: The Story so far •ESS

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- •Detectors@ESS

"Detector Technology and Systems Platform" 19 November 2012

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Caveat Emptor

- Presented here is a snapshot
- Process is still evolving rapidly
- Subject to change ...

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Neutrons



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What is Neutron Scattering Science?

Materials processing

Environment

Drug design

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Biotechnology

Pharmacology

Neutrons are

- low energy
- non-damaging
- penetrating
- broad wavelength range

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Complexity

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ESS high intensity allows studies of

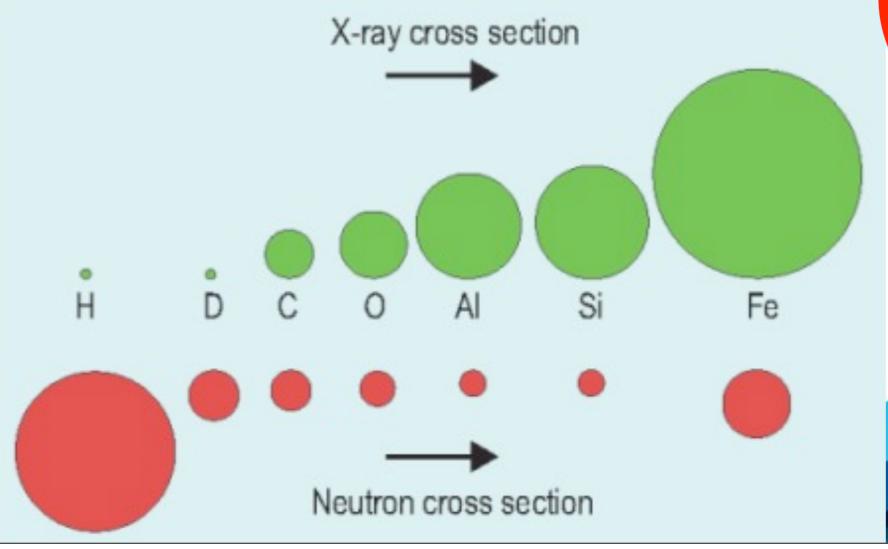
- complex materials
- weak signals
- important details
- time dependent phenomena

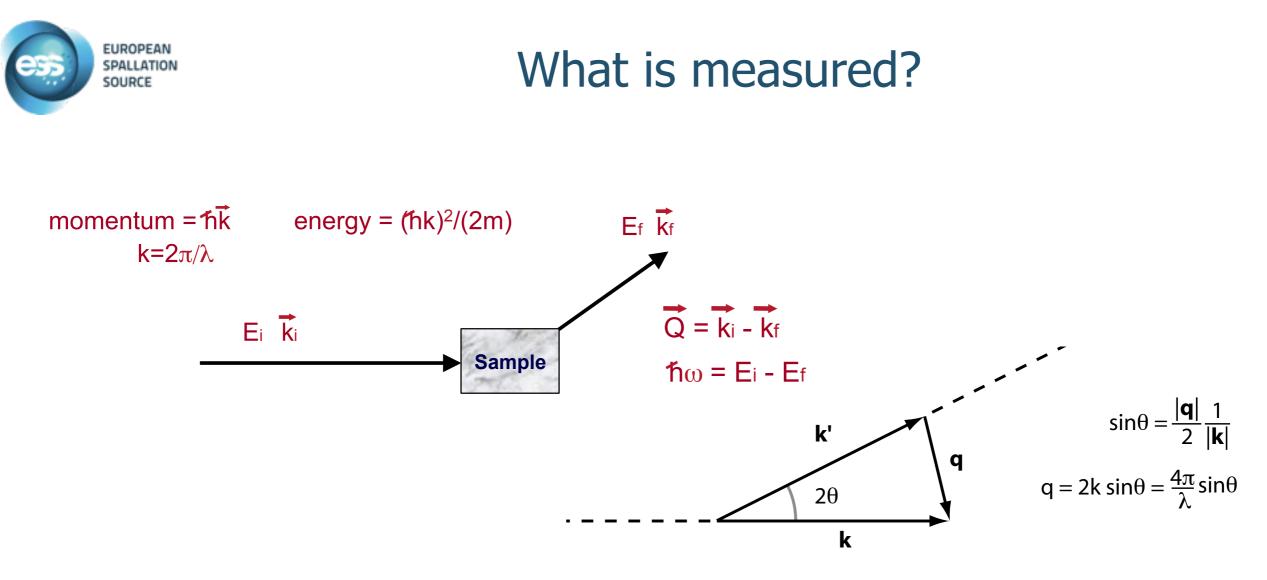




Why Neutrons?

- 1) Ability to measure both energy <u>and</u> momentum transfer Geometry of motion
- 2) Neutrons scatter by a nuclear interaction => different isotopes scatter differently H and D scatter very differently
- Simplicity of the interaction allows easy interpretation of intensities Easy to compare with theory and models
- 4) Neutrons have a magnetic moment





Measure number of neutrons scattered as function of $\,$ Q and ω

Intensity of scattering as function of Q is related to the Fourier transform of the spatial arrangement of matter in the sample (except imaging ...)

> Need a good efficiency, position and energy/time resolution Good signal/background

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The ESS Headlines



- ESS will be the world's best source of neutrons for the study of materials
- ESS will be 30 times brighter than ILL, the worlds' best research reactor
- ESS will be 10 times more intense than SNS, the world's most powerful spallation source
- ESS will produce first neutrons in 2019





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time (ms)

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ESS project: key facts

- 5MW long-pulse neutron source.
- First neutrons in 2019 on 7 instruments.
- 22 instruments by 2025
- ESS will be user facility.
- Total cost 1478 M€; funding negotiation
- MoU agreed with 17 european countries
- currently in pre-construction phase

Intensity

High-intensity spallation sources

J-Parc, Tokai-Mura 2008

SNS, Tennessee 2008

OECD 1999: "One powerful spallation source in every global region"

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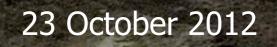
ESS Project Phases

The Design Update phase 2010 – 2012 (Technical Design Report to be submitted Feb 2013) Prepare to build 2013 - 2015 2015 - 2018 The Construction phase 2019 - 2025 The Completion phase 2026 - 2066 The Operations phase The Decommissioning phase 2067 - 2071

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The ESS Site





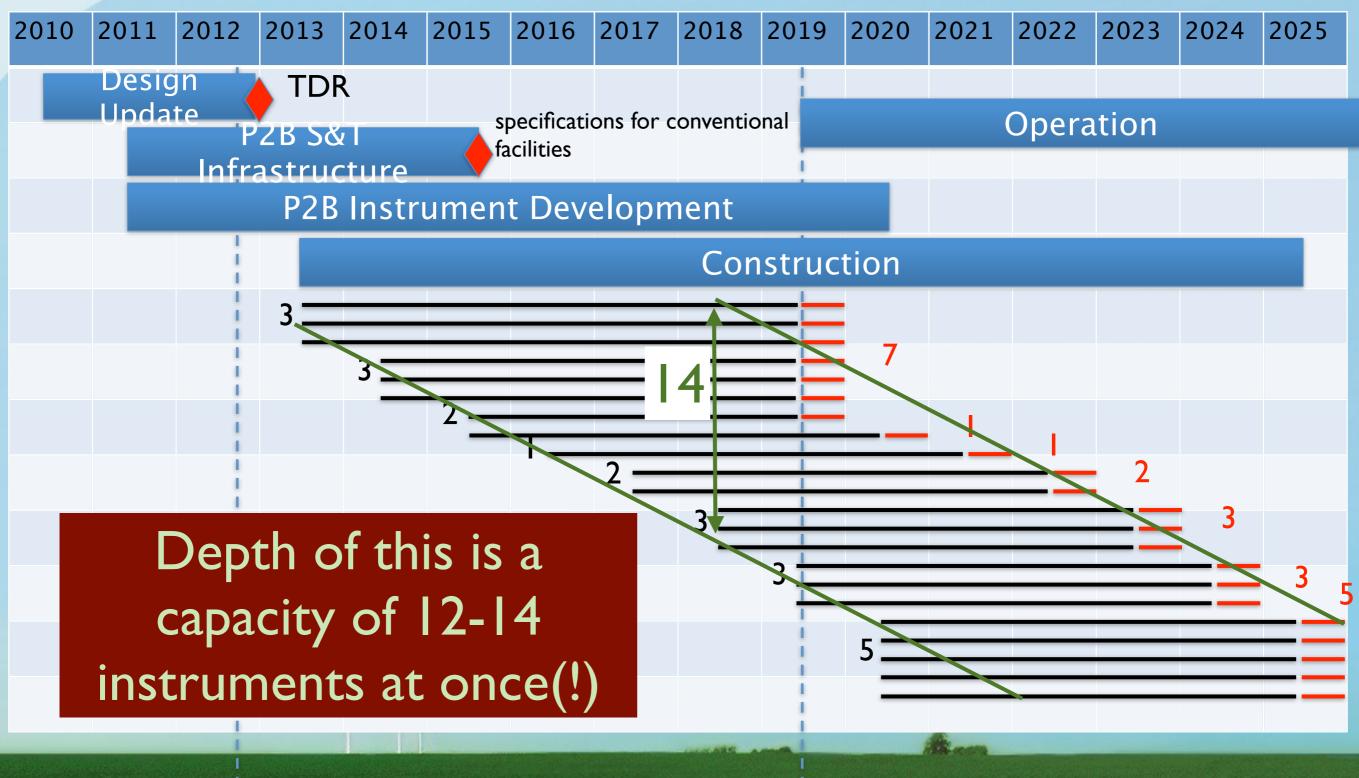
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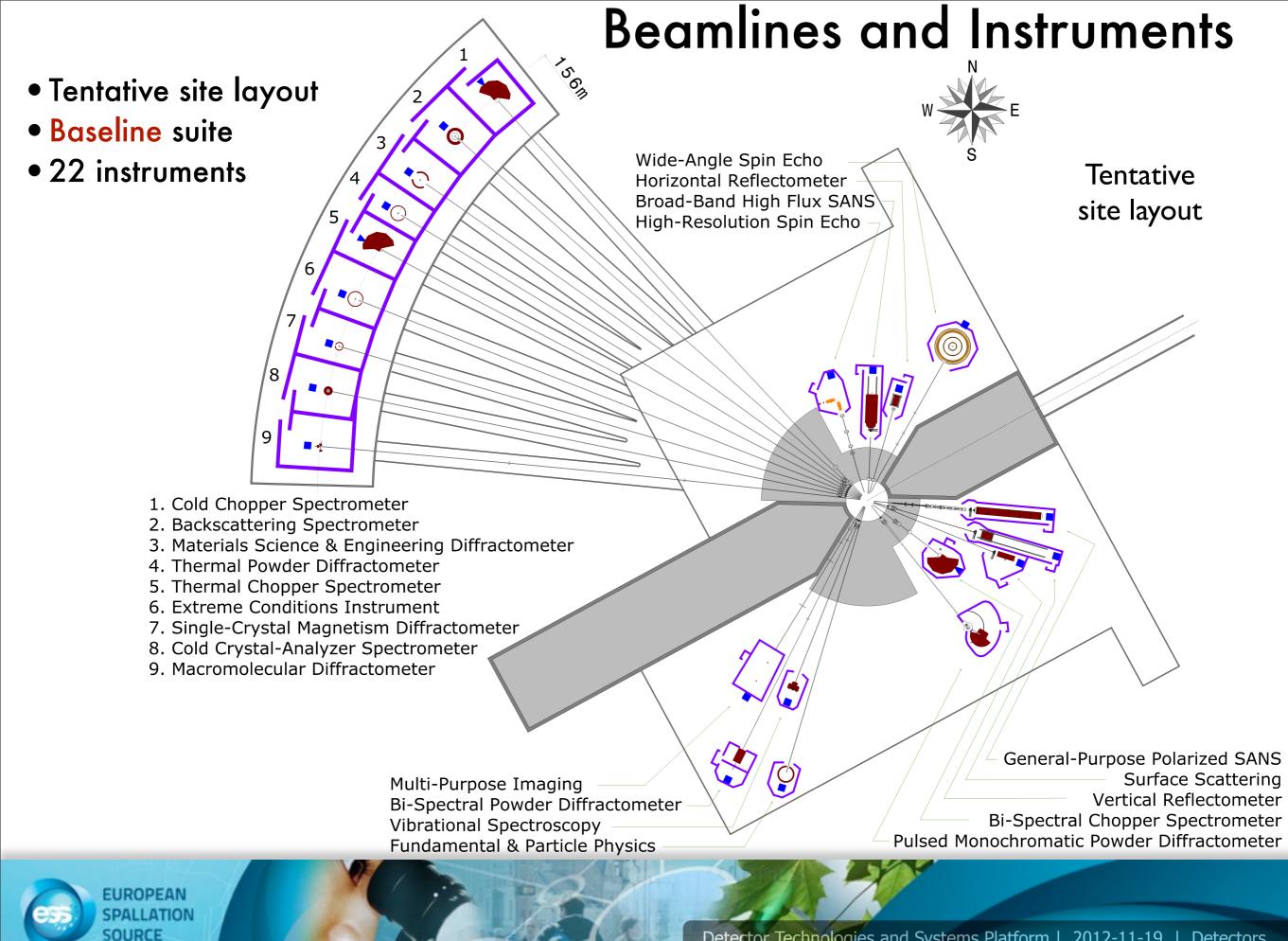
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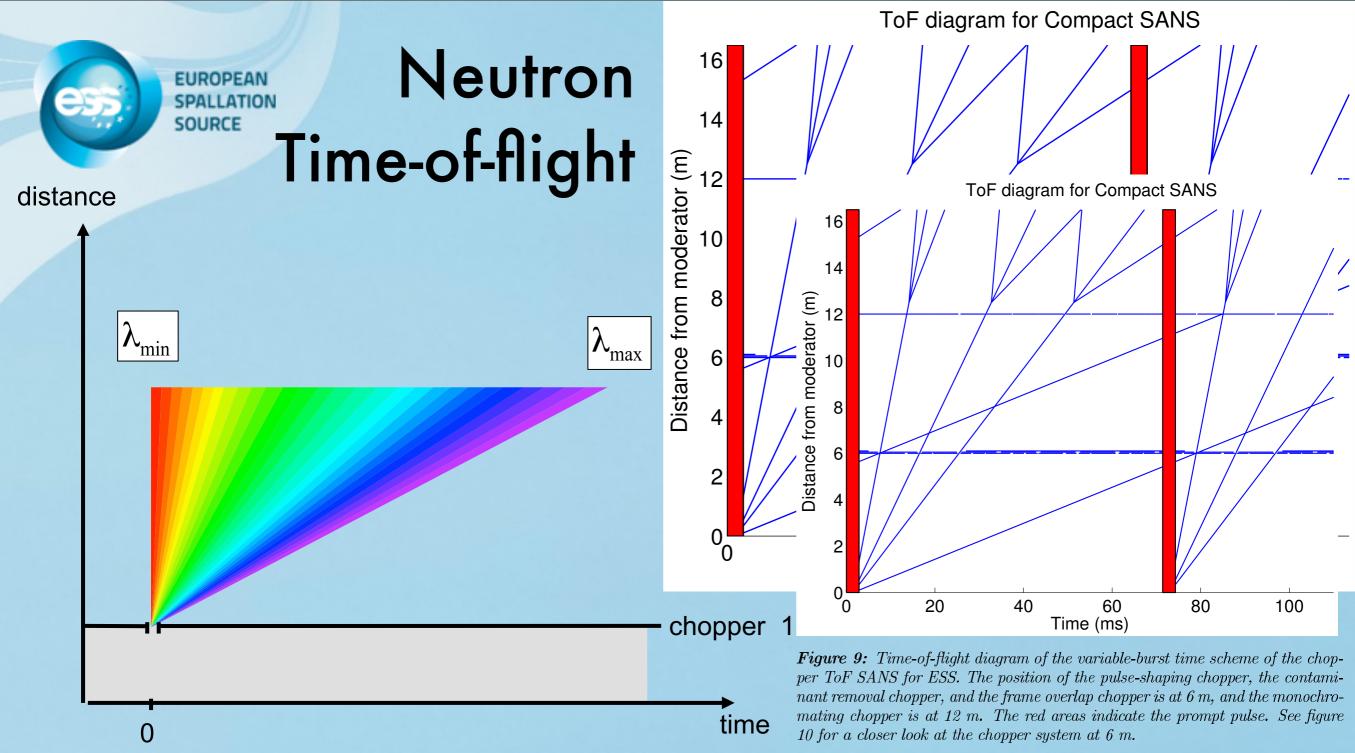


ESS Timeline

2019: First 7 instruments on-line 2025: Full suite of 22 instruments on-line

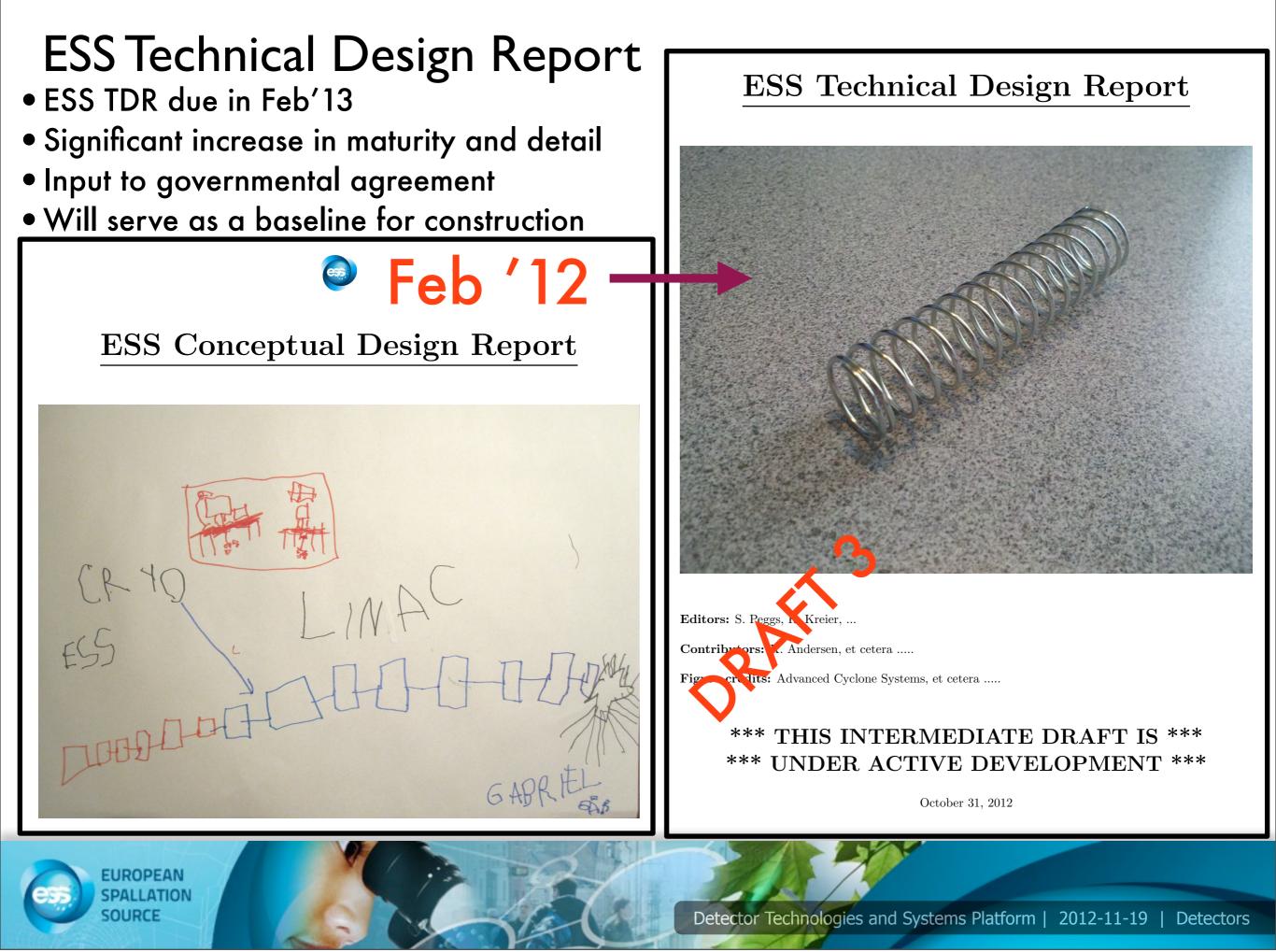






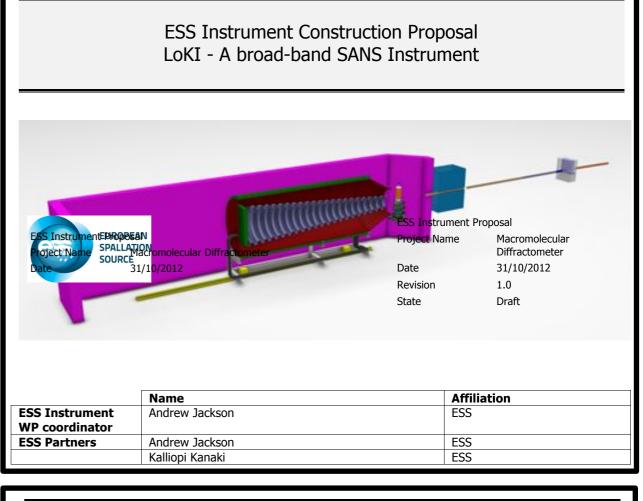
•Almost all instruments use Time-of-flight of neutrons to determine wavelength of neutrons

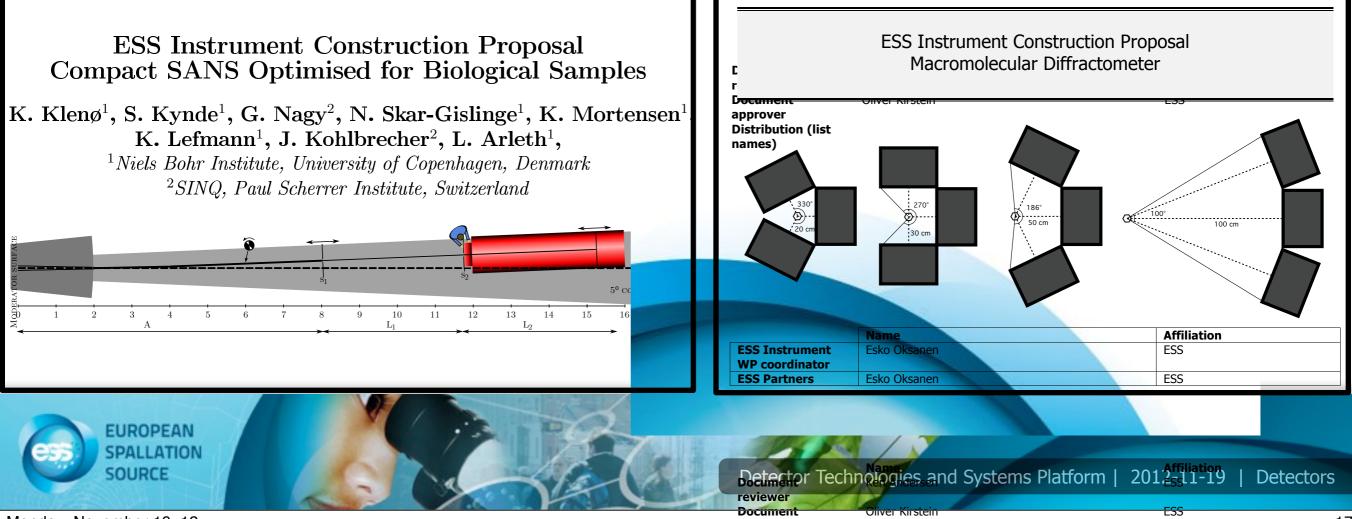
- •Timing and time shaping is typically a key part of the definition of the neutron beam
 - Reminder: ESS is a long pulse source
- Means that detectors need good time resolution (us+)
- •Wavelengths ca. 0.3 20 Angstroms, energy ca. meV
- Access energy of neutrons from statistical methods: see later



ESS Instrument Proposal Round 2013

- Proposal round closed yesterday
- 4 proposals received
- An imaging beamline proposed in addition to the below
- Up to 3 instruments will be chosen by mid 2013

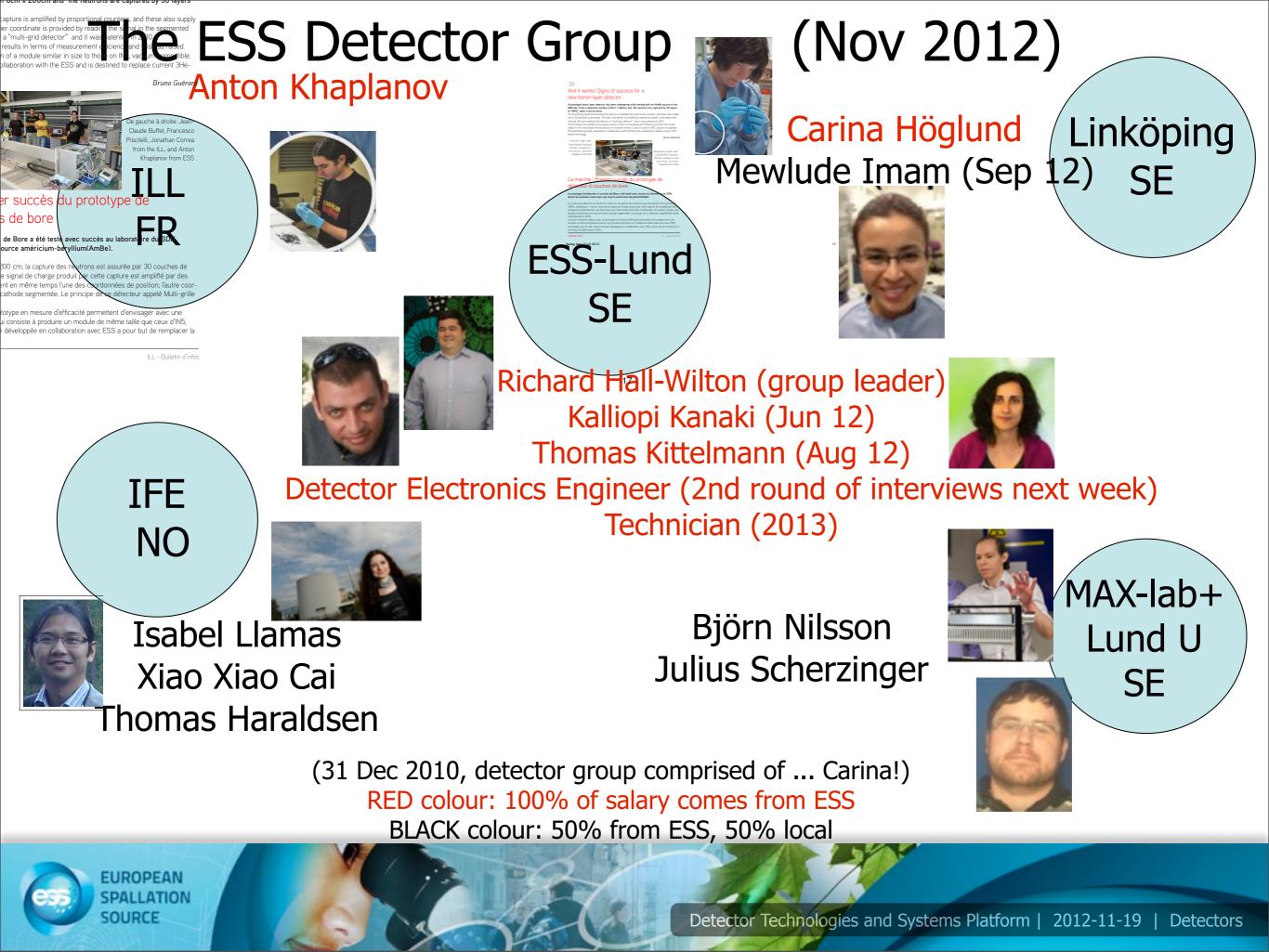


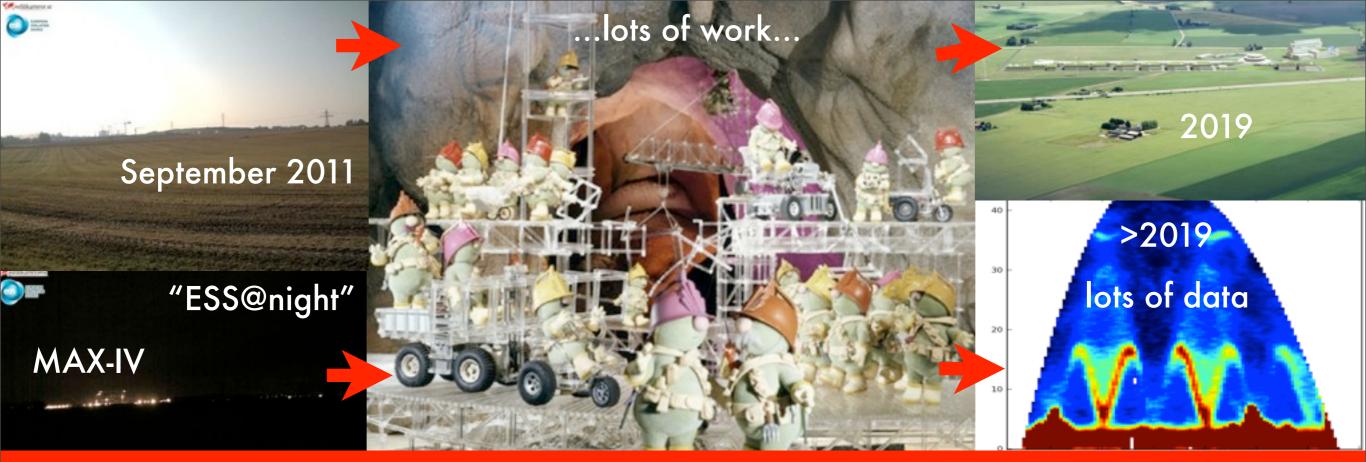


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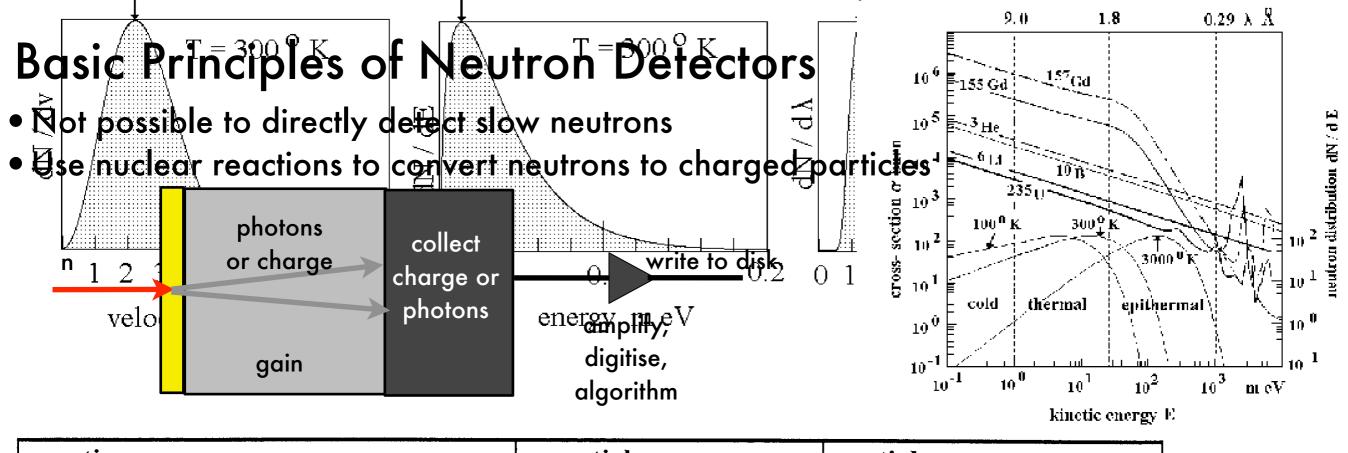
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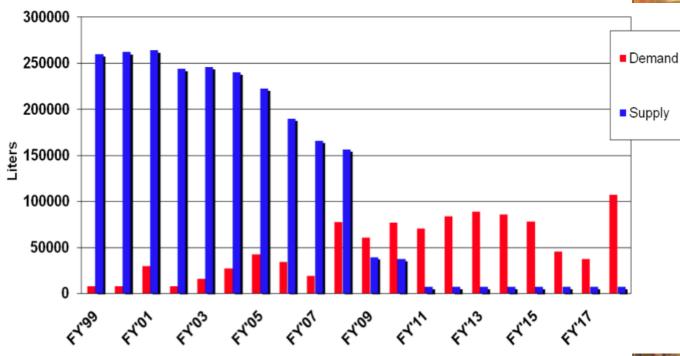
reaction	energy	particle	energy	particle	energy
n (³ He, p) ³ H	+0.77 MeV	р	0.57 MeV	³ H	0.19 MeV
$n ({}^{6}Li, \alpha) {}^{3}H$	+4.79 MeV	α	2.05 MeV	³ H	2.74 MeV
7 %	$MeV + \gamma (0.48MeV)$	α	1.47 MeV	⁷ Li	0.83 MeV
$\ln ({}^{10}B, \alpha) {}^{7}Li$	+2.79 MeV	α	1.77 MeV	⁷ Li	1.01 MeV
n (²³⁵ U, Lfi) Hfi	$+ \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$	Lfi <	= 80 MeV	Hfi	< = 60 MeV
$n (^{157} \text{ Gd}, \text{Gd}) e^{-1}$	+ < = 0.182 MeV	conversi	on electron	0.07	to 0.182 MeV

 Table 1: Commonly used isotopes for thermal neutron detection, reaction

 products and their kinetic energies.



... Old News Now ... He-3 Crisis



Little or None Available

Aside ... maybe He-3 detectors are anyway not what is needed for ESS? eg rate, resolution reaching the limit ...

Crisis or opportunity ... ?





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....an appropriate initial reaction ...

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... lots of work ongoing now ...

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- "ESS In-kind"
- 4 DE groups:
- HZB
- FZJ
- HZG
- TUM/FRMII

Collaboration

Participating Facilities

ESS European Spallation Source, Sweden

FRM II Forschungs-Neutronenquelle

- FRM II Forschungs-Neutronenquelle Heinz M
- HZB Helmholtz Zentrum Berlin, Germany
- ILL Institut Max von Laue Paul Langevi
- ISIS Science and Technology Facilities Co
- JCNS Jülich Centre for Neutron Science, Ge
- J-PARC Japan Proton Accelerator Research C
- NIST Centre for Neutron Research, USA

- Also a range of ongoing initiatives: • Dedicated developments within ESS in-kind
- EU FP7 programs

HZB Helmholtz ISIS J-PARC

- eg CRISP, NMI3
- Local partnerships
 - eg Lund U, LTH, Linkoping U, Mid-Sweden U, MAX IV lab
- Grants through Swedish funding agency VR
- ORNL Neutron Science Directorate, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, USA

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(but no DE2 day		

(... but no BF3 detectors for ESS ...)



Detector Requirements for Baseline TDR Suite

Instrument	Detector Area [m ²]	Wavelength Range [Å]	$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Time} \\ \mathbf{Resolution} \\ [\mu \mathrm{s}] \end{array}$	Resolution	1
Multi-Purpose Imaging	0.5	1-20	1	0.001 - 0.5	
General Purpose Polarised SANS	5	4-20	100	10	 Specifications
Broad-Band Small Sample SANS	14	2-20	100	1	
Surface Scattering	5	4-20	100	10	very varied
Horizontal Reflectometer	0.5	5-30	100	1	• Typically superior
Vertical Reflectometer	0.5	5-30	100	1	<i></i>
Thermal Powder Diffractometer	20	0.6-6	<10	2x2	to what is presently
Bi-Spectral Powder Diffractometer	20	0.8-10	<10	$2.5 \mathrm{x} 2.5$	state-of-the-art at
Pulsed Monochromatic Powder Diffractometer	4	0.6-5	<100	$2 \ge 5$	state-of-the-art at
Material Science & Engineering Diffractometer	10	0.5 - 5	10	2	existing sources
Extreme Conditions Instrument	5 10	1-10	<10	3x5	externing been bee
Single Crystal Magnetism Diffractometer	6	0.8-10	100	2.5 x 2.5	
Macromolecular Diffractometer	1	1.5 - 3.3	1000	0.2	
Cold Chopper Spectrometer	80	1 -20	10	10	 In many cases,
Bi-Spectral Chopper Spectrometer	50	0.8-20	10	10	instrument
Thermal Chopper Spectrometer	50	0.6-4	10	10	_
Cold Crystal-Analyser Spectrometer	1	2-8	<10	5-10	performance
Vibrational Spectroscopy	1	0.4-5	<10	10	dominated by S:B
Backscattering Spectrometer	0.3	2-8	<10	10	
High-Resolution Spin Echo	0.3	4-25	100	10	rather than raw
Wide-Angle Spin Echo	3	2-15	100	10	
Fundamental & Particle Physics	0.5	5-30	1	0.1	specifications here
Total	282.6				

Table 2.5: Estimated detector requirements for the 22 reference instruments in terms of detector area, typical wavelength range of measurements and desired spatial and time resolution.



2nd International 10B BF3 Detectors' Workshop

Institut Laue Langevin Grenoble, France 13-14 March 2012

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K. Zeitelhack: "Detector development based on ³He alternatives"

Session 1: ¹⁰B detectors (part 1)

M. Koza: "Guidelines for a time-of-flight spectrometer detector optimized for material science"
 J. Lacy: "A large-area, multi-tube neutron imaging detector based on ¹⁰B4C coated straws"
 M. Klein: "the ¹⁰B based Jalousie neutron detector - an alternative for ³He filled position sensitive counter tubes"
 J. Correa: "On the efficiency of the ¹⁰B4C MultiGrid Neutron Detector"

Session 2: Coating techniques

JF Clergeau: "Study of a MultiGrid prototype for IN6"

- Y. Yang: "Boron lined gaseous detector research in Tsinghua University"
- P. Chaudhari: "Neutron absorber boron carbide thin films by hot-wire chemical vapor deposition technique"
- C. Höglund: "10B4C thin films for neutron detection"
- A. Khaplanov: "Optimization and diagnostics of ¹⁰84C coatings for the MultiGrid detector"
- G. Nowak: "Recent progress of magnetron sputtered B4C converter layers onto Si substrates and A1 detector plates"

Wednesday 14 March 2012

N. Rhodes: "Detector JRA in FP7-2" R. Hall-Wilton: "Latest news from ESS"

Session 3: ¹⁰B detectors (part 2)

- A. Menelle: "A Micromegas thermal neutron detector with ¹⁰B layers"
- I. Stefanescu: "Development of a cathode design for large area neutron detectors based on Boron-10 converters"
- F. Piscitelli: "Gamma-ray sensitivity of ¹⁰B based MultiGrid detectors"
- R. Kampmann: "First tests of Thin Conversion Layers in Indined Geometry"

Session 4: BF₃ detectors

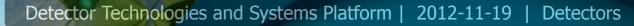
- S. Alimov: "First tests of Linear-Position-Sensitive Twin Tubes with BF3"
- 3. Orban/L. Cser: "New development for two dimensional multiwire position sensitive detectors filled with BF3 at the Budapest Neutron Centre"
- S. Desai: "BF) Based Position Sensitive Detectors: Performance and Challenges
- B. Guérard: "BF3 detector development at the ILL"

For larger detectors, pathway is becoming clearer ...

(permalink)

http://www.ill.eu/news-events/events/2ndinternational-10b-bf3-detectors-workshop/ home/





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Detector Options for Baseline TDR Suite

Instrument Detector Technology						+ = favoured option		
	$\begin{array}{ }10 \mathbf{B}\\ \ \bot\end{array}$	Thin Films	Scint	illators Anger	³ He	Mic Rate	ropattern Resolution	<pre>o = option = disfavoured option</pre>
Multi-Purpose Imaging	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	
General Purpose Polarised SANS	0	+	-	+	0	+	-	 Most instruments
Broad-Band Small-Sample SANS Surface Scattering	0 0	+ +	-	++	- 0	+ +	-	have "He-3-free"
Horizontal Reflectometer Vertical Reflectometer	-	0 0	-	+ +	+++	0 0	-	options
Thermal Powder Diffractometer Bi-Spectral Powder Diffractometer P-M Powder Diffractometer		+ + +						 • Requirement for He-3 significantly reduced
MS Engineering Diffractometer Extreme Conditions Diffractometer Single Crystal Diffractometer Macromolecular Diffractometer	0 0 0 -	+ + + 0	+ + + 0	-	Sill	0 0 +	- - +	 An array of
Cold Chopper Spectrometer Bi-Spectral Chopper Spectrometer Thermal Chopper Spectrometer	+ + +	0 + +	0 0 +	-			- - -	<pre>technologies will be used</pre>
Cold Crystal Analyser Spectrometer Vibrational Spectrometer Backscattering Spectrometer		0 0 0		+ 0 +	+++++++		- - -	• dependent upon
High-Resolution Spin Echo Wide-Angle Spin Echo	-	0 0		0 0	+ +	+++	-	a wide range of sources for
Fundamental & Particle Physics	-	-	_	_	+	+	+	_ detectors



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(I am now going to take a very biased diversion on the detector technology ESS is concentrating on developments internally)

No time to deal with other developments, including several in-kind from German groups (HZB, FZJ, HZG, TUM-FRMII)

Boron-10 Thin Film Detectors

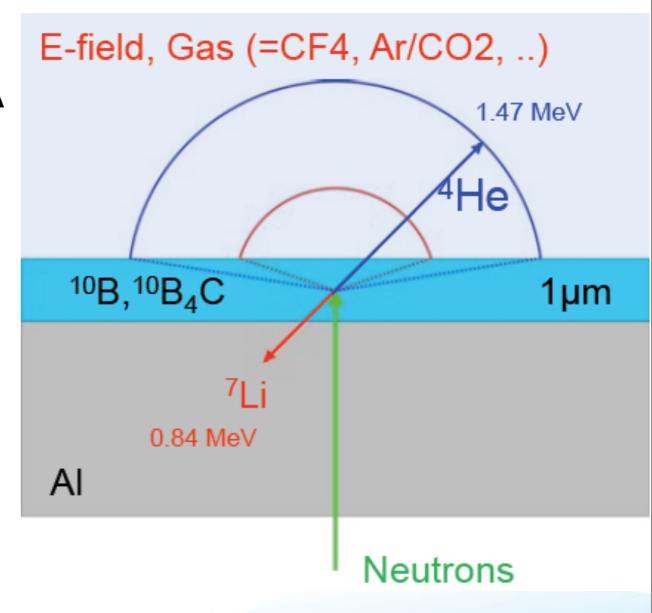




The Boron-10 Detector Principle

- 10 B has a neutron absorption of 70% compared to 3 He at $\lambda = 1.8$ Å
- ^{nat}B contains
 80 at.% ¹¹B and
 20 at.% ¹⁰B
- ¹⁰B + n \rightarrow ⁷Li + α + 2.3 MeV
- charged products emitted back to back
- •only 1 enters gas volume
- •anode wire / electric field to amplify
- collect signal from ionisation process (anode and/or cathode)

Thin precise coatings of Boron Carbide with good adhesion are the key ingredient



EUROPEAN 10-Boron Carbide Thin Films for Neutron Detection

DC magnetron sputtering: ^{nat}B₄C, ¹⁰B₄C

• 2-side coated substrates

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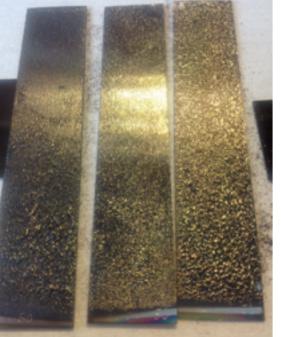
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- Good adhesion on Al, Si, etc.
- High density, Minimal impurities
- Thickness control and uniformity
- Large area depositions
- Patent application

C. Höglund, et. al., J. Appl. Phys. 111, 104908 (2012)

- •Many attempts by other groups failed
- •Boron Carbide has high internal stress
- •Key ingredient here: experience!
- •Expertise of Linkoping thin film group
- 3 publications from this collaboration

Si



~3 µm ¹⁰B₄C

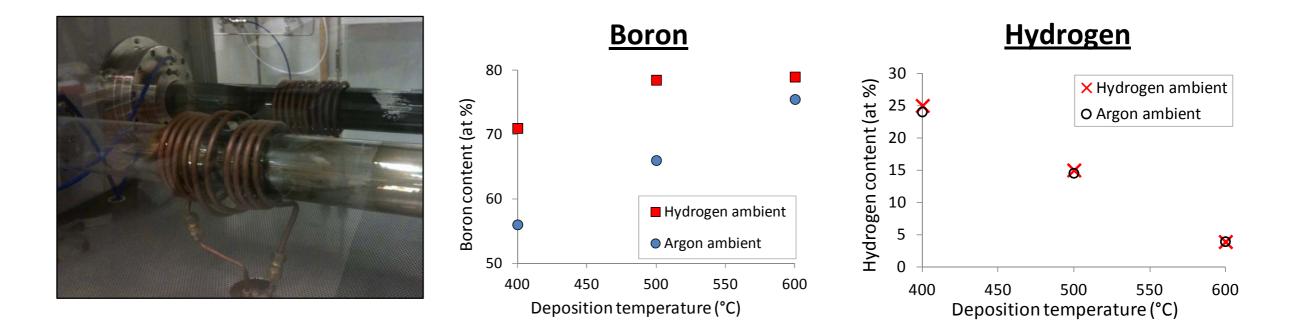
1 μm

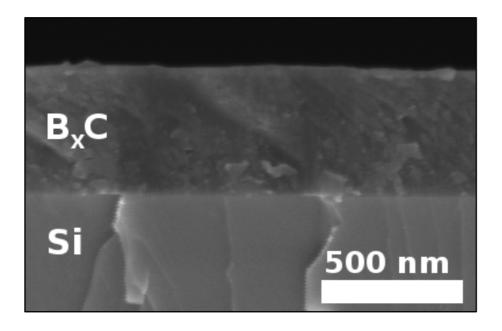
Interested in samples? Please contact us! ¹⁰B₄C



ESS - Linkoping U collaboration

Thermally activated CVD





High quality B₄C films can be deposited by simple, thermally activated CVD at 600 °C using the organoborane TEB as single precursor

Hydrogen and Boron contents are highly temperature dependent

600 °C yields less than 5 at.% H and close to bulk density!

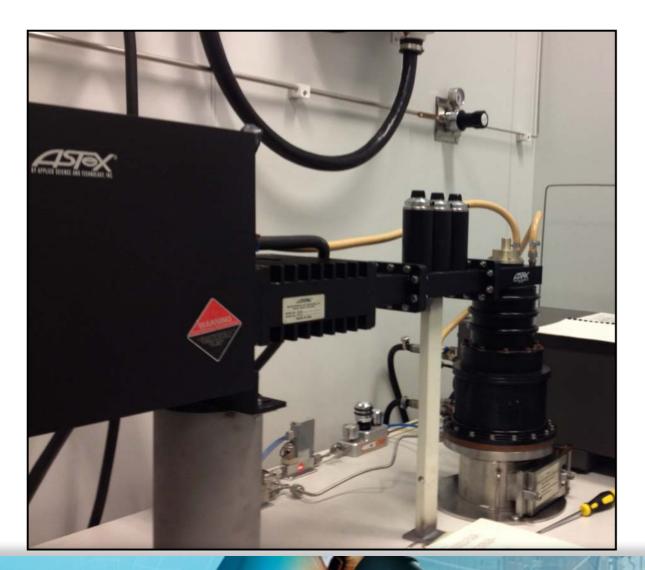
H. Pedersen, C. Höglund, et. al., Chem. Vap. Deposition 18, 221



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Plasma assisted CVD

- Henrik Pedersen (LiU)
- Mewlude Imam (new student, ESS-LiU)
- ESS





Develop a working low temperature CVD process for ¹⁰B₄C



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Linkoping - ESS - ILL Collaboration on **B-10 Thin Films Detectors**





Jonathan Correa Francesco Piscitelli Bruno Guerard Patrick van Esch **Thierry Bigault** Jean-Claude Buffet Jean-Francois Clergeau Jerome Pentenero **Gilbert Viande**



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Large Prototype '2' for Boron-10 Thin Films Detectors - Summer 2011

And it works! Signs of success for a new boron-layer detector

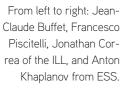
ILL Bulletin

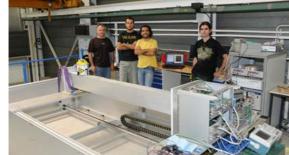
A prototype boron-layer detector has been undergoing initial testing with an AmBe source in the SDN lab. It has a detection surface of 8cm x 200cm and the neutrons are captured by 30 layers of 10B4C, each a micron thick.

The energizing signal produced by the capture is amplified by proportional counters, and these also supply one of the position coordinates. The other coordinate is provided by reading the signal in the segmented cathode. We have baptised the detector a "multi-grid detector" and it was patented in 2010.

The prototype has yielded encouraging results in terms of measurement efficiency and this has raised hopes for the next phase, the production of a module similar in size to those on IN5, vacuum-compatible. The technique has been developed in collaboration with the ESS and is destined to replace current 3He-based technology.

Bruno Guérard





De gauche à droite: Jean-Claude Buffet, Francesco Piscitelli, Jonathan Correa from the ILL, and Anton Khaplanov from ESS

Ca marche ! Premier succès du prototype de détecteur à couches de bore

Le prototype de détecteur à couches de Bore a été testé avec succès au laboratoire du SDN durant les premiers tests avec une source américium-beryllium(AmBe).

La surface de détection est de 8 cm x 200 cm; la capture des neutrons est assurée par 30 couches de 10B4C, d'épaisseur 1 micron chacune; le signal de charge produit par cette capture est amplifié par de compteurs proportionnels, qui fournissent en même temps l'une des coordonnées de position; l'autre c donnée est donnée par la lecture de la cathode segmentée. Le principe de ce détecteur appelé Multi-g a été breveté en 2010.

Les bons résultats obtenus avec ce prototype en mesure d'efficacité permettent d'envisager avec une certaine confiance la phase suivante, qui consiste à produire un module de même taille que ceux d'IN5, compatible avec le vide. Cette technique développée en collaboration avec ESS a pour but de remplacer la technique actuelle à base d'3He.

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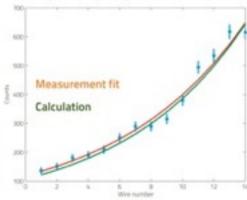
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ESS Activity Report

🔵 🚬 🕘 A detector success story

Helium-3 has been the material of choice for largearea detectors used in neutron experiments. However, this isotope is now in short supply, so alternative detector gases are needed. In June 2010, the ESS detector group, in collaboration with the ILL and Linköping University in Sweden, started the development of detectors exploiting thin films of boron-10. Preparing chemically stable thin films that will have areas of many square metres is extremely challenging. Nevertheless, the first prototype has been assembled and tested at the ILL where it performed to specification. Work is ongoing on a second prototype (2m x 10cm active area) to be tested in the summer of 2011. To this end, thin films of boron-10 have been deposited on 6 square metres of sheet aluminium. The aim is to use the results to design a full-scale demonstrator detector in 2012.

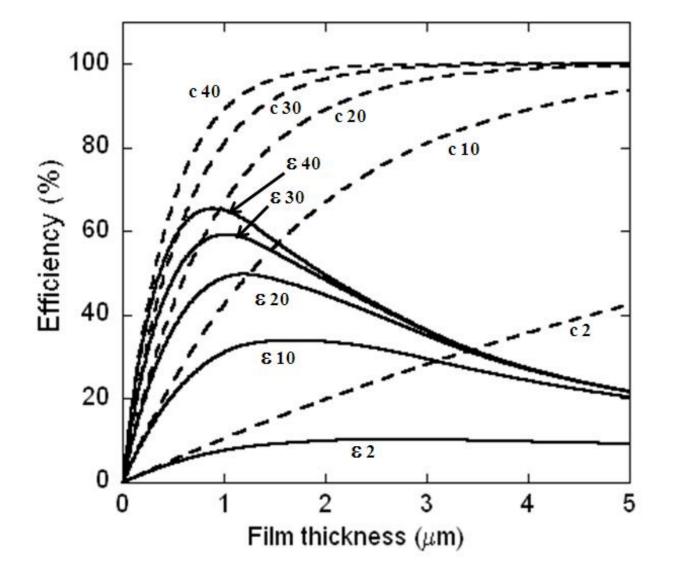


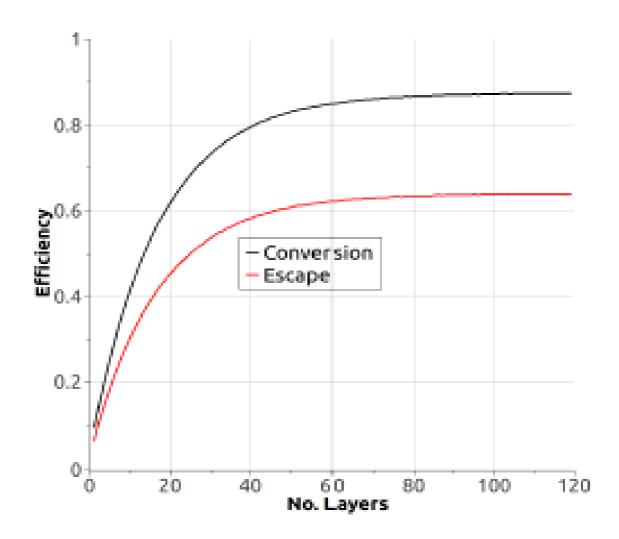


Ideal absorption. The absorption profile of the neutrons with depth inside the detector from the initial prototype tested at the ILL. The measured profile agrees very well with the ideal calculated profile.

> der Marianne Ekdahl, Photos: Jens Birch, Text: Nina Ha Shiph: Richard Hall-Wilton, Graphic design: Christina He

MC simulation (2.5 Å neutron wavelength)





Efficiency vs thickness (interaction with Aluminium substrates is NOT taken into account)

Efficiency vs number of layer (1 μ m thick)

Complicated optimisation needed - many layer detector

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What might a Cold Chopper Spectrometer look like for ESS?

Let's try and make a guess:

- •Reference instrument suite has 80m^2 active area
- Position resolution: 1cm
- •Say: 4m height x 20m circumference
- •Lets assume here that this is a day 1 instrument

Pixels and Readout Channels:

•x: 2000 pixels
•y: 400 pixels
•z: 15 pixels
•Total: 12 Mpixel

In terms of readout channels, this implies:
 Gride/Cathodos: 200 stacks, 200 grids - 4

- •Grids/Cathodes: 200 stacks, 200 grids = 40k
- •Anodes: 200 stacks, 150 anode wires = 30k
- •Total: 70 k readout channels

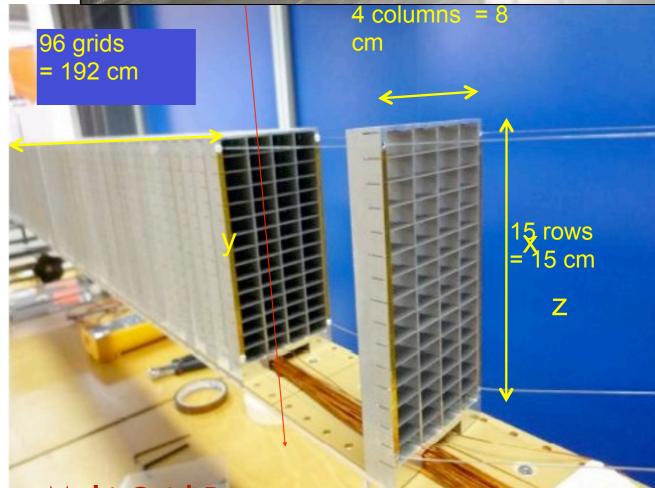
Needs to be as cheap as possible











Multi Grid Detector concept

Outlook for a Cold Chopper Spectrometer for ESS...?

•2010: Conceptual prototype - "P1"
•2011: 2 x 0,1m = 0.2 m² prototype

•2012:

- •"Proto 1.1"
- •Build demonstrator for test at ILL on IN6 (if approved): demonstrate "real" performance side-by-side with He-3
- •With feedback from above, design possible full scale demonstrator for IN5 ($2.4x0.8m = 2.4 m^2$)

•2013:

- •Build and test the full scale demonstrator of IN5-like module dimensions as part of the CRISP FP7 programme
- Design a prototype module for ESS large area detectors (chopper spectrometers ...), including appropriate first prototype electronics and DAQ systems - several m^2?

•2014:

•Build and test full scale ESS prototype large area module (2-4 m^2)

Construction:

•2015:

•Ready to start construction for a large chopper spectrometer \ldots ?

•2015-2018:

- •Production of 10B4C thin films (4 years expected)
- Detector assembly
- •Electronics and data acquisition really needs to be finalised latest in 2016

•2019:

•Installation and neutrons ...?





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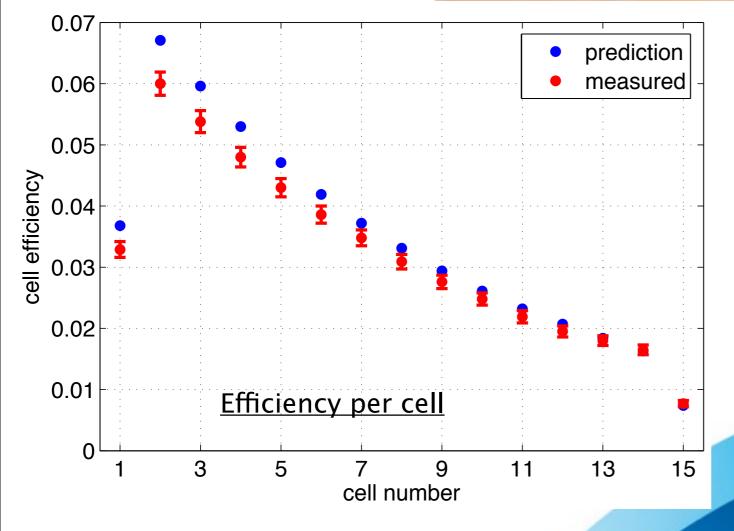


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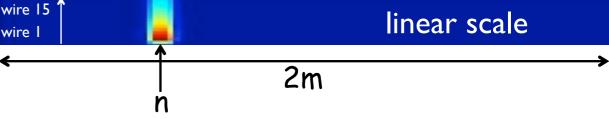
Results from tests with beam of Prototype '2'

 Each cell performs as predicted ~50% detection efficiency for 2.5 Å neutrons





log scale



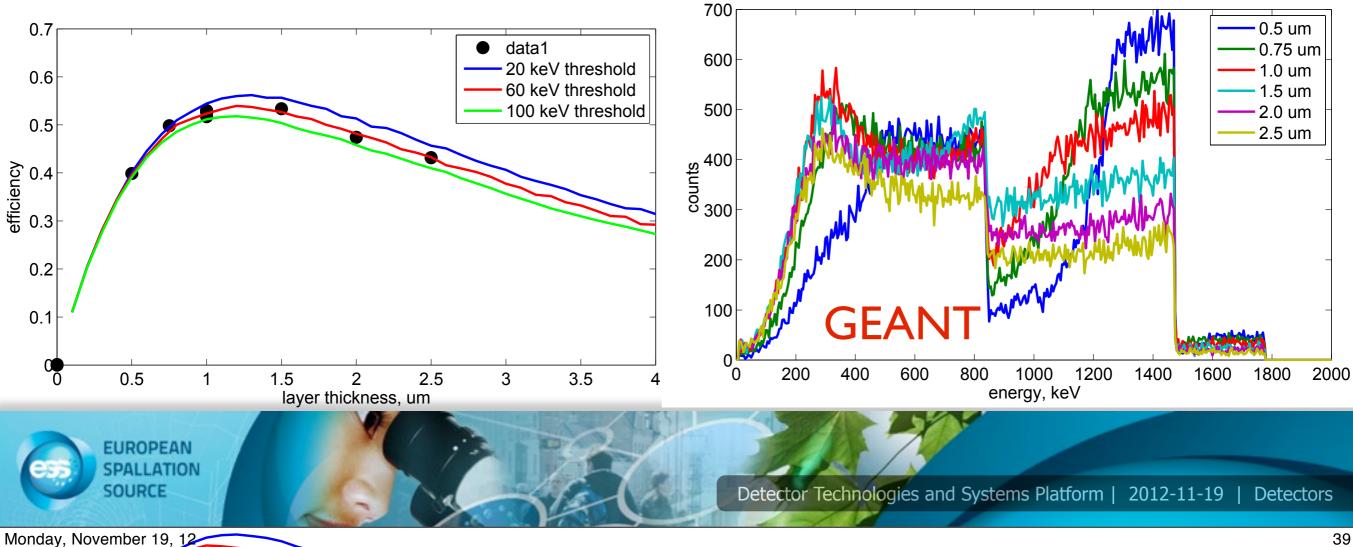
¹⁰B₄C-based multi-grid detector feasible

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- ICANS XX, Bariloche, Rio Negro, Argentina, 2012.
- J. Correa et al., subm. TNS (2012)
- J. Correa, PhD Thesis (2012)



•Efficiency and pulse-height spectra understood as function of layer thickness



2000

1000

0^L 0

DATA

40

20

PI.I - 2x20cm (2012)

60

channel number **GEANT4** simulation

80

target frame spectra, frame centres, 800V

0.5 um 0.75 um

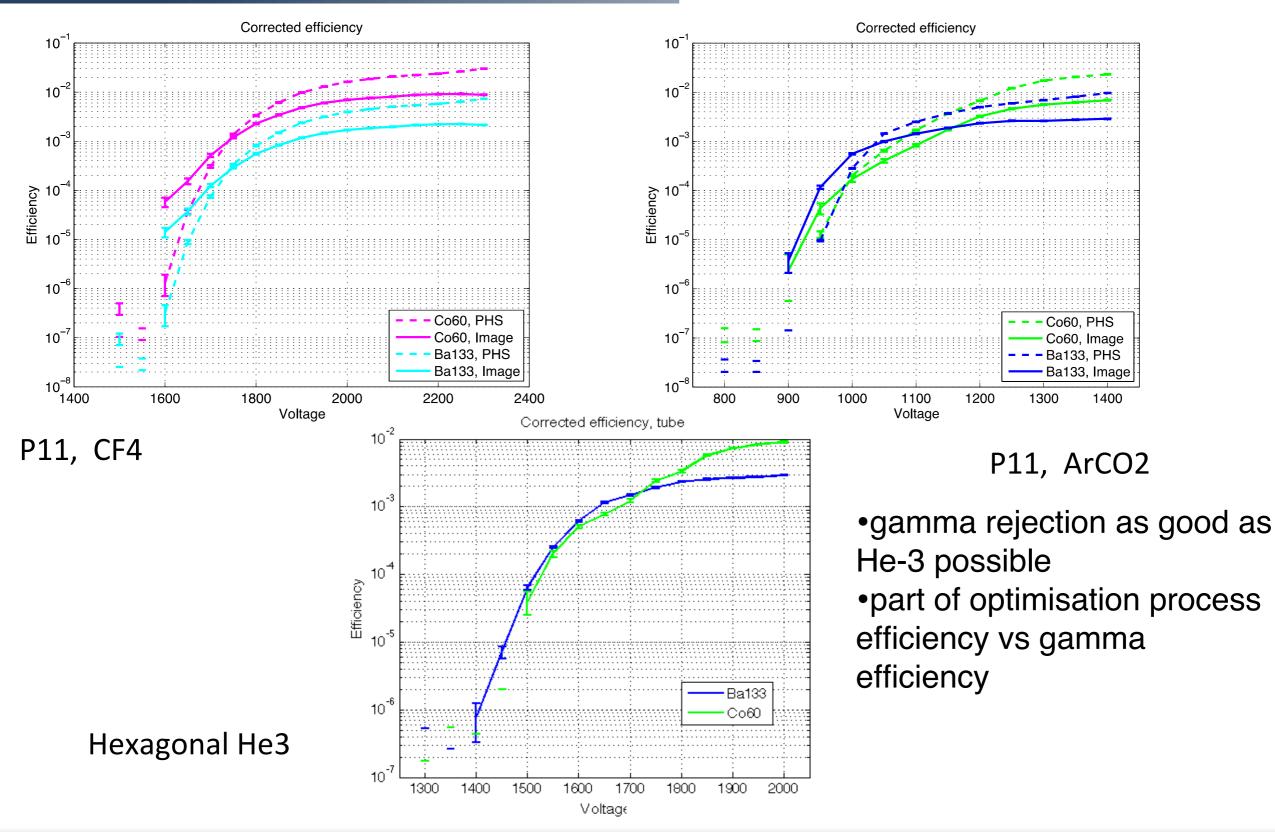
1.0 um 1.5 um

2.0 um 2.5 um

120

100

Gamma efficiency, P11, He3



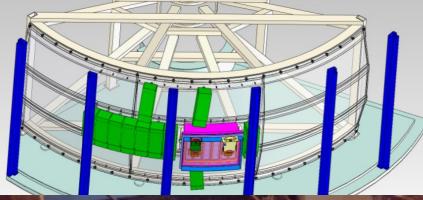


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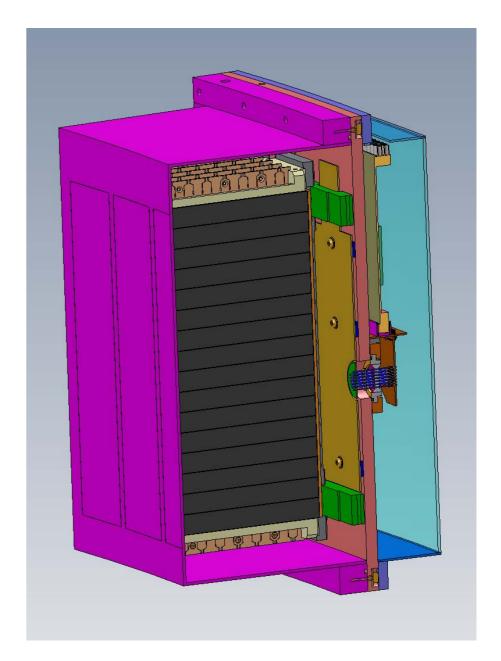
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Test of a Multigrid prototype on the IN6 TOF spectrometer









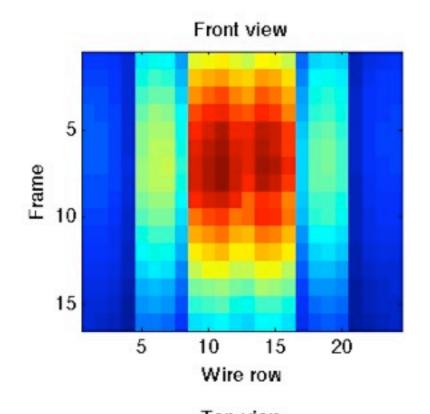
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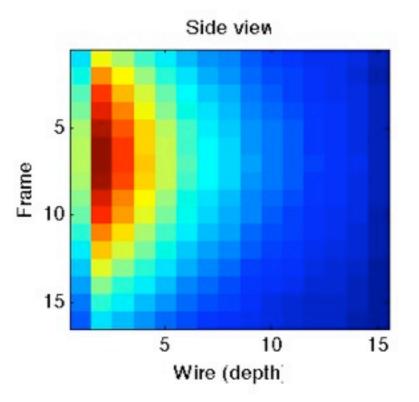
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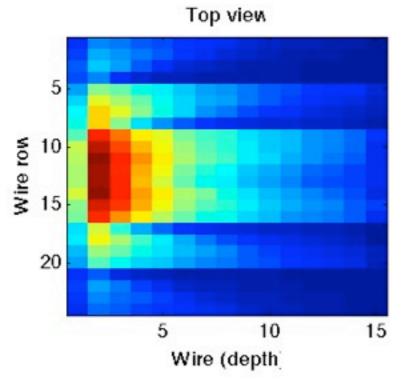
IN6 Demonstrator



IN6 Prototype - Am/Be Source Image

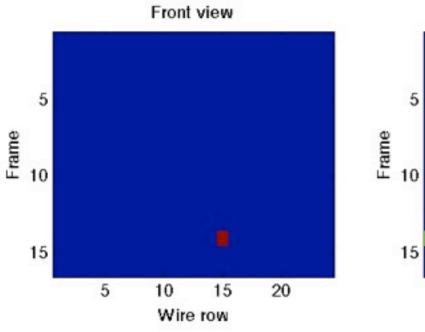


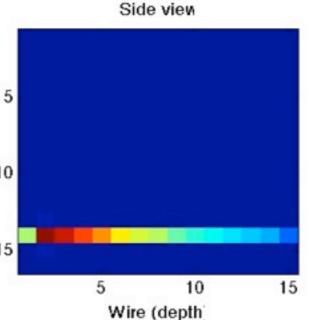




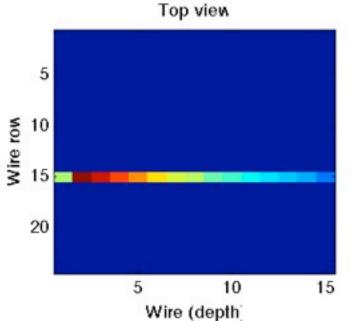


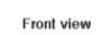
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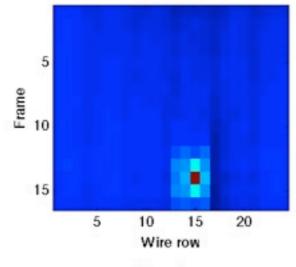


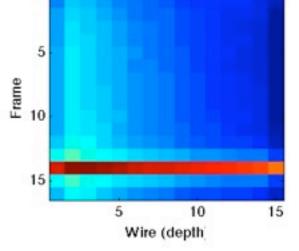


IN6 Prototype -Beam Image





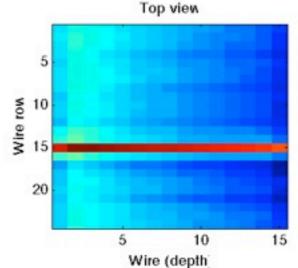




Side view

Log scale

Installed this week on IN6 instrument in-situ demonstration of performance



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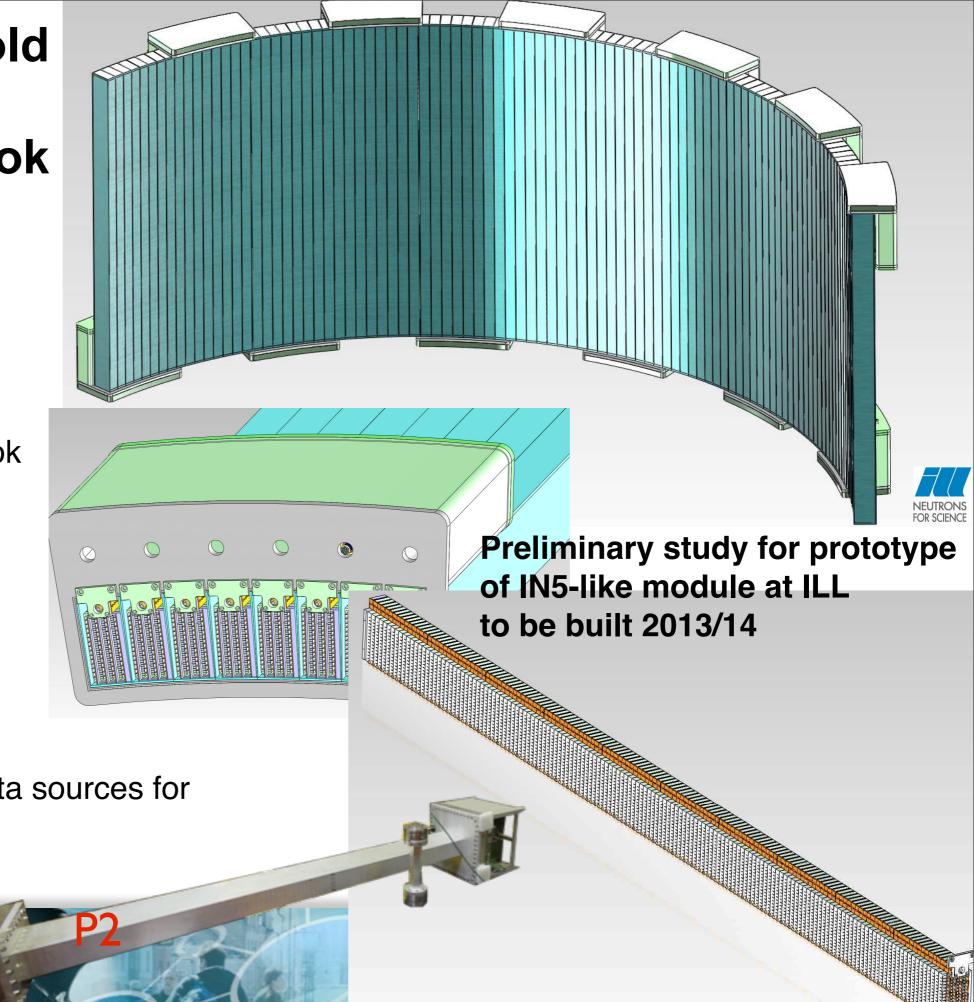
What might a Cold Chopper Spectrometer look like for ESS?

Coincidence:

•200 stacks, 10cm wide
•Each stacks needs to look
for (x,z)-y coincidences
•x-z: 150 anode wires
•y: 200 grid-cathodes

•Significant number of readout cards or crates needed

•Significant number of data sources for detector data

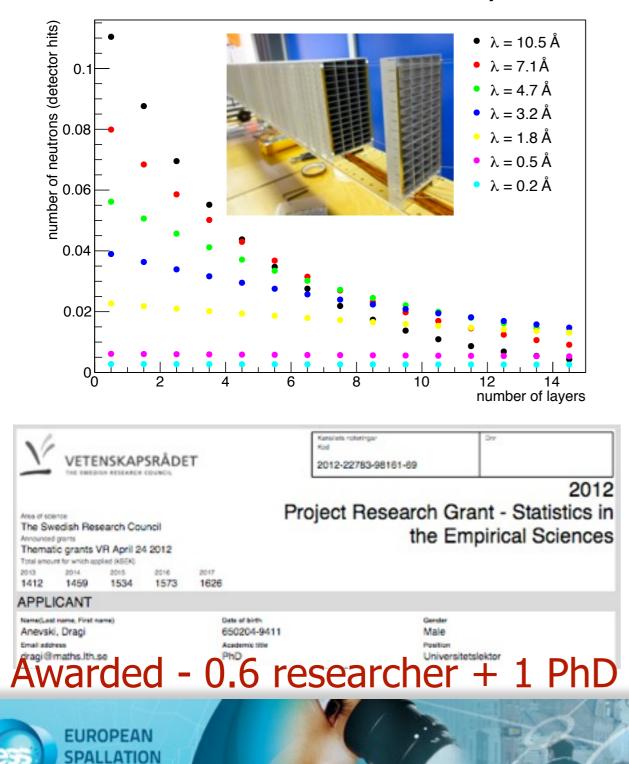


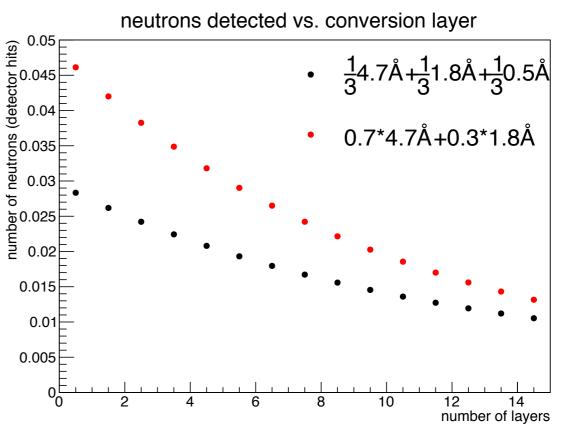
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Neutron energy determination using statistical methods

neutrons detected vs. conversion layer





Mathematical approach on discriminating wavelength admixtures from the shape of the measured neutron spectrum, 6-8 months prototype preparation for testing

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Another Analogy: the Research and Development as now ...

- About 530M years ago was the "Cambrian explosion"
- Sudden and quick increase in variety of life
- Sudden expansion into an empty niche?

 After an extinction event, types of species much less varied

 More-or-less the ancestors of what we have today

• There has been an explosion of detector types following the He-3 crisis

In the long term it is likely to settle down to a few categories

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- Hard to pick the winners today ...
- This is fun. Lots of work in the next 10 years++

EUROPEAN SPALLATION SOURCE

Detectors



Summary

European Spallation Source: will be world's leading neutron source for study of materials
ESS will produce first neutrons in 2019

- •Technical Design Report being written completion: February 2013
- •Baseline instrument suite presented
- •Four instruments proposed in 1st round of yearly proposals for instruments

Common for all detector needs:

- "Good" efficiency not too much lower than He-3 equivalents
- •Low "background" (noise, gamma rejection, scattering, ...) defines performance for many of the instruments
- •In general large areas are needed and high number of detector readout channels
- •The higher brightness means that care must be taken to avoid saturation of detectors
- •Time resolution needed due to the use of time of flight of the neutrons

Detectors for instruments:

- •A lot of progress within the last year
- •A range of solutions are needed unlikely to be just one replacement
- •For large area detectors, key element is reducing detector cost/m^2
- •A lot of development work still needed
- •Need to demonstrate real performance on real instruments

Looks possible to eliminate need for He-3 for many ESS instruments ...

thank you and any questions ... ?